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Of All Saints

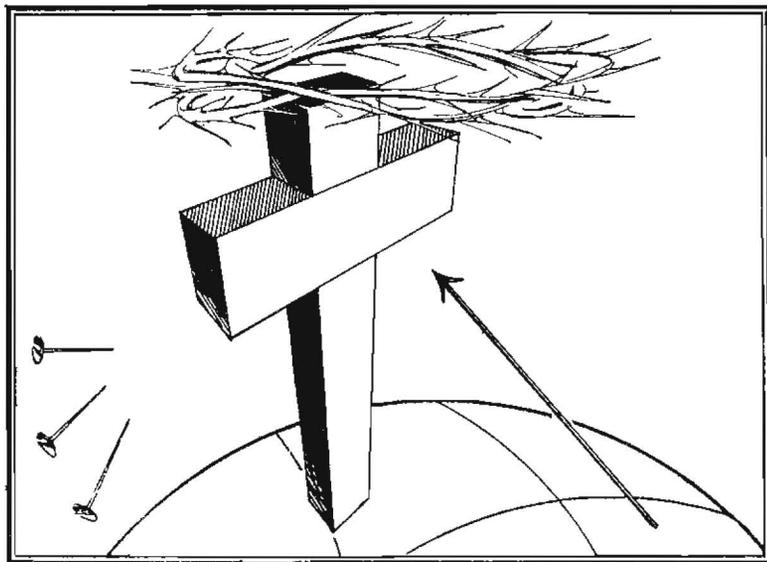
Petersham

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"HE IS NOT HERE: FOR HE IS RISEN"

THE CHRONICLE SPEAKS

We need informed people in the pews quite as much as in the pulpit. Regard the opportunity of buying your "Chronicle" as an opportunity to learn more about the Church and to find out what is going on in it, both in this parish and beyond it.

And when you have read it, pass it on!

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PERSONAL

We deeply regret to report the passing, on 20th March, of Miss Alice Street, and extend our sincere sympathy to the members of her family. Miss Street had been most regular as organist at our 8 a.m. Services for the past six years, during which she had also assisted in our neighbouring parish of Dulwich Hill. Before that, she had been organist at St. Bartholomew's, Pymont for 31 years, a truly devoted record of service.

We are also sorry that Mrs. Hird has had to return to hospital, but are happy to learn that she is improving. Mr. George Clark is on the mend at Canterbury Hospital, while Mr. John Reid is back home after a successful operation. Mr. Kevin Williams has also been on the sick list for some days, but we are glad to know that he is better once again.

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GOOD FRIDAY ANGLICAN WITNESS

The Annual Church of England Procession to protest against the opening of the Agricultural Show on Good Friday will be held again this year.

It will assemble in Hyde Park North, opposite St. Mary's Cathedral, at 4 p.m. on Good Friday, and will be followed by a great Service of Witness in Hyde Park South, near Mark Foys.

This Service is expected to start at 4.55 p.m. and will include an address by Bishop Loane, a Coadjutor Bishop of Sydney.

All parishioners are asked to take part in both procession and service if possible; if you can't march, however, you are still invited to Hyde Park Service and so demonstrate your active profession of the Christian faith.

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AN AFTERNOON'S ENTERTAINMENT

Mrs. Clark's Social

All parishioners and their friends are cordially invited to a Social Afternoon to be conducted by Mrs. Clark in the Parish Hall on Tuesday, 19th April, starting at 1 o'clock.

There will be cards and games, prizes and afternoon tea. An enjoyable time for all is thereby assured. Card players will be particularly welcome—bring three friends and make up a foursome.

The charge for the whole afternoon is only 30 cents, and all proceeds will go to Church funds. An extra attraction will be a stall selling lots of articles suitable as Mothers' Day gifts.

● This month we are starting a new series "God Every Day". The articles were commended to "The Chronicle" by Mr. John Nance, and are from a bright parish magazine, "The Spark" of the parish of Hillston, where John worked last year. We hope you will find them interesting and challenging.

CHURCH NEWS

● Lenten and Easter Services:

On Sunday, 3rd April, we begin Holy Week, during which special services will be held on Wednesday and Good Friday. Times for Wednesday are 7 a.m., Holy Communion, and 7.30 p.m., Devotions and the Rector's address on "Crosses and Crowns".

Times of the Good Friday and Easter Day Services are set out on Page 7 of this "Chronicle".

The 10 a.m. Family Service on Good Friday is intended for both children and adults, in the same way as our special 10 a.m. service on the third Sunday of each month.

The Rector is happy with the attendances at the mid-week services to date, but hopes that even more parishioners will attend the special Holy Week services.

● Home Mission Society:

The Society, which works in many wonderful ways throughout this Diocese, is facing a serious financial crisis. As at 15th March, \$35,000 was needed to balance its budget. Any gifts that you can give will therefore be greatly appreciated. They may be sent direct to the General Secretary, 511 Kent Street, Sydney, or forwarded via the Rector or the Parish Treasurer, Mr. Sopwith.

A free informative booklet, "Action" detailing the work of the Society, is available from our Church Officers for the asking.

● Completion of Columbarium:

The ashes of all former parishioners held pending the erection of the All Saints' Columbarium have now been placed in the niches, and a special commemorative service will be held at 10 a.m. on Sunday, 17th April. Guest Preacher, who will give a message appropriate to the occasion, will be the Right Rev. E. N. Wilton, B.A.

● Amplifiers Installed:

Apropos the par in last month's "Chronicle", we report with pleasure that an amplifying system comprising a microphone in the pulpit and twelve loud speakers, decourously placed, was installed in the Church last month. The resulting sound is heard with comfort in all parts of the Church; if you haven't yet listened to them in use, why not come along?

● November Fete:

Saturday, 19th November has been set down for this year's Annual Gala Fete, and we hope that all organisations will get down to planning their efforts as early as they can. We are sorry that Mrs. Millarey has been obliged to give up the books and toys sections of her stall, but glad that she will be able to continue with the jewellery, which has returned such record amounts for the last several years. Mrs. Reid has kindly offered to take charge of the Book Stall, while the Fellowshipippers will be manning the Toy Stall. The young people are devoting alternate meetings to this Stall, and we commend their appeal in this issue to your consideration.

● Anzac Service:

Appropriate reference to Anzac Day will be made in our Services on Sunday, 24th April. Additionally, the combined district service will be held in the Petersham Town Hall at 3 p.m. that day, when Father Whelan of St. Michael's, Stanmore will give the address,

"GOD EVERY DAY" GOD AND BUSINESS

Many people try to keep their religion in a water-tight compartment. Some let it out for a little fresh air and exercise on Sunday, some only rarely, and many have lost the key so that it never gets out.

If once we take Christianity seriously, we find that it will neither fit into nor stay in a compartment. It insists on permeating the whole of life. Naturally it does, because God is the absolute Sovereign. If He can't have all of me, He wants none of me. He is as much concerned with me at home or at work as He is with me in church.

When we study the Catechism, we learn that God expects us to do our duty in that state of life to which it shall please Him to call us. There is more to that than first meets the eye. For one thing, it asserts that the Christian's obedience to God included the way he earns his living. God calls each of us to live in particular circumstances. In other words, we each have a vocation. We can't do just as we please. For some work we are unsuited, for some we are unprepared, for some we have no opportunity (an Australian might be a good Astronaut, but at the moment there are no openings here in that career). So we must try to discover our proper vocation in life.

And then we shall discover that we have duties to perform. The Church asserts in the Catechism that it is our religious duty to do our job well. We are to use our Christian virtues in our work. It used to be said that an Englishman's word was his bond—not because of his nationality, but because it used to be taken for granted that most Englishmen were good Christians. And a Christian must be honest. He must be diligent, too: it is not honest to do less than we are paid for.

God goes with us to our work. (If it's the sort of work we would prefer Him not to know about, we'd better find another job).

In shops and offices, in factories or wherever he may be employed, the Christian must obey the Golden Rule: DO UNTO OTHERS AS YOU WOULD BE DONE BY.

It is un-Christian to produce or sell shoddy merchandise, just as it is un-Christian to do slipshod work. It is un-Christian for a worker to loaf on the job as it is for an employer to overwork or underpay his men. A Christian does not work merely for money. He wants to do a good job well.

Unless he is that sort of a person, he is not a Christian at all, no matter how often he goes to church or says his prayers. The sooner he finds that out and does something about it, the better it will be for his immortal soul.

● **Basket wanted:** We understand that a cane basket was lent by Mrs. Champion at Christmas time, but may not have been returned. It is bucket-shaped, and if any parishioner knows of it, it would be greatly appreciated if they could let Mrs. Champion know, as she now has need of it.

● **May "Chronicle":** Hearken, all ye who are, or should be, contributors to this magazine: items for the next issue will be due not later than Sunday, 17th April.

CLUB NEWS

Indoor Bowls Club:

The Inter-Church Bowls Competition started this month and we were very successful in our first match, beating the Earlwood Presbyterian Club very easily. The main point of this match was the outstanding play of our Lead, Jack Gorman.

Jack played a remarkably consistent game, and deserves the highest congratulations. I think all members of both teams played well, and we all hope this will continue.

We are pleased to know that our friend, George Clark, is progressing towards recovery and that he will soon be with us all again.

H. SHAW, Hon. Secretary

Fellowship:

Our Annual Meeting was held on 10th March and the following office-bearers were elected: Leader, Philip Dingle, Asst. Leader, Allan Bell, Secretary, Christine Miller, Asst. Secretary and Asst. Treasurer, Barbara Dingle, and Treasurer, Alan Granger.

In future, our meetings will be held on the alternate Friday nights to those of the Y.C.I., so our next meeting will be on 22nd April, and will be a toy making night. Gifts of material and patterns for soft toys will be welcomed.

Any young people fourteen years and over are welcome to come along, so see you on the 22nd.

CHRISTINE MILLER, Hon. Secretary

Senior Parishioners' Club:**Why don't you relax one afternoon each week?**

Make friends with your fellow-parishioners at All Saints' Parish Hall at 1.30 p.m. each Thursday.

Senior Citizens within the district are also invited to join us for a happy social afternoon. You do not have to come along regularly, and a voluntary donation provides free prizes and afternoon tea. Also, we keep you in touch with all Church activities. We have over 60 members on our books, and over 40 of these folk attend regularly.

Keep Thursday afternoons especially to visit the popular Senior Parishioners' Club, organised by Church members to provide a Social Afternoon for the folk who are often lonely and love to get together for games, a chat, and a cup of tea. Do come please and bring a friend or neighbour.

DOT SHAW

Ladies' Guild:

Owing to so many members being unable to attend and leaving the Guild, we find, for the time being, that we will not be able to continue our Street Stalls, which have been a regular monthly feature for the last ten years.

We would like to say a sincere thank you to all who helped on the day of the Luncheon.

The next meeting of the Guild will be on Tuesday, 12th April at 2.30 p.m. in the Parish Hall. Mrs. Bosward was called away suddenly to Maclean on 19th March, when her sister took ill, and how long she will be away depends on the health of her sister.

E. CHAMPION

Young Marrieds' and Friends':

Our Club's next meeting will be held in the Guild Room on Tuesday, 12th April at 8 p.m. All members are kindly asked to be present.

We are happy to report that we again have a buyer for our papers, and ask all parishioners to save clean newspapers for us. Please con-

tact any Club member, or leave your name at the Rectory, and we will gladly collect them from you.

Our thanks to all who made donations to our 2nd April Street Stall, as well as those who came and bought.

IDA BARRETT, Hon. Secretary

Physical Culture Club:

A determined attempt is being made to restart the girls' Physical Culture Club that has been such a force in our youth activities at All Saints' for so many years. We can provide the instruction—but can we have the girls. Another attempt to organise classes will be made in the Parish Hall on Saturday, 16th April, when girls from 4 years of age and over are invited at 9 a.m. Mothers, we look to you for support—bring you daughters along.

SUNDAY SCHOOL NEWS

Picnic:

The Sunday School Picnic was held on Saturday, 12th March at the Peter Depena Reserve at Doll's Point.

We would like to thank the following people most sincerely for their kind help and donations: the members of the Young Marrieds' and Friends' Club, Mr. Johnson, Mr. Bretherton, Mr. Howarth, Mr. Hird, Mrs. Wilson, Mrs. McKinnon, Mrs. Reid and John, Mrs. Dingle, Mr. L. Nance, some twenty car drivers, and all the people who helped at the Picnic grounds.

I think everyone who attended had an enjoyable day. Fortunately, the rain held off, and we had fine weather throughout. Everyone seemed very pleased at the new spot that we had chosen for our picnic.

Easter:

I would like to remind the scholars to return their lenten boxes on Easter Day. As Easter Day will be on the second Sunday of April, Sunday School classes will be held at the normal time of 9.45 a.m.

Good Friday:

We invite the scholars and their parents to attend the special Family Service which has been arranged for 10 a.m. on Good Friday, 8th April. The scholars who attend this Service will receive extra marks.

One of our staff, Mr. John Reid, has been in hospital for an operation and we hope that he has a quick recovery.

N. CRAGG, Hon. Secretary

SANCTUARY FLOWER ROSTER

- April 3rd: Donated by Mrs. Taylor in memory of her Mother.
 April 10th: Gifts of flowers, or donations of money towards the cost of flowers for Easter Day would be appreciated.
 April 17th: Donated by Mrs. Boyle and Allen in memory of Mr. J. M. Boyle, by Mrs. Hayes in memory of Mr. Hayes, by Mrs. Kent in memory of her Son and Daughter, Charles and Elsie and by Mrs. Fellowes in memory of Mr. Albert Clark.
 April 24th: Donated by Mrs. Ayrton in memory of her Son, by the Misses Street in memory of the Rev. C. E. Madgwick, and by the Petersham R.S.L. in memory of their comrades.
 May 1st: Donated by Miss Cole in memory of her Mother.
 On Sunday, 20th March, flowers were also given by Mrs. Carroll in memory of her Mother, Mrs. Rankin.

BOOKS OF THE BIBLE

DANIEL

The first half of the Book of Daniel contains the stories familiar to many, Daniel and his friends in prison, Daniel in the Lion's Den, the Young Men in the Fiery Furnace, Belshazzar's Feast and others. The second half from Chapter 7 on, is far more obscure, using the forms of vision and dream to convey its meaning. The Book, when it was written, spoke most directly to the people of God, when, after the collapse of the nation and the fall of Jerusalem, they no longer enjoyed an independent national life and were either in exile, or in their own land, subject to pagan rulers.

Accordingly the Book of Daniel deals with the life of the faithful Jew in a hostile, pagan environment. It deals with the whole question of the sovereignty of God, whether the God of Israel really controlled the processes of history, whether He was able to rule the nations and save His afflicted people.

Daniel, himself was a Jew deported to Babylon in the sixth century B.C. As one of a batch of Jewish boys of noble houses he was brought up to be employed in the service of the Babylonian king. In his new life he encounters the pagan world which demands, firstly, denial of the Mosaic food laws, then idolatory and abstinence from prayer to the God of Israel. Daniel's firmness in his faith and his preservation by God served as a pattern for the multitudes of Jews in similar situations.

Also, as Daniel lives in a world in which the people of God are oppressed, the righteous downtrodden, and the wicked prosper, the question of God's control over events is no theoretical one but an urgent personal inquiry. The story of Nebuchadnezzar's dream in Chapter 2 and Daniel's vision in Chapter 7 carry the message that God's rule and authority is above all the powers of men, and that the rulers of nations have their rule for a time only, and that the end of history is the establishment of God's kingdom and rule.

For the Christian the Book is of lasting importance and meaning. The Christian's position in history has been largely one of a minority group in a hostile environment, and Daniel's experiences are meant for a testimony of God's power in the lives of His people and as an example of steadfastness. The Book of Daniel is addressed to believing men living in a world where they wondered whether God or man was having the last word and who suffered and died for their faith.

For us who have witnessed pagan pressure and persecution in the Church on a scale not experienced for centuries, the Book of Daniel speaks with special directness.

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HOLY WEEK AND EASTER DAY SERVICES

Sunday, April 3rd, Palm Sunday:

Normal Services, 8 a.m., 11 a.m., 7 p.m.

Wednesday, April 6th:

Holy Communion, 7 a.m.; Devotions, 7.30 p.m.

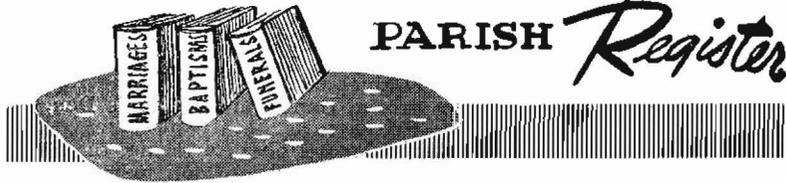
Good Friday, April 8th:

Holy Communion 8 a.m., Family Service, 10 a.m.
Devotional Service, 2 p.m.—3 p.m.

Easter Day, April 10th:

Holy Communion 7 a.m., 8.15 a.m., 11 a.m.
Evening Prayer, 7 p.m.; Sunday School, 9.45 a.m.

"AND NOTE that every parishioner shall communicate at least three times a year, of which Easter shall be one."—Book of Common Prayer.



BAPTISMS

"One Lord, one Faith, one Baptism"

February 27th: Jeannette Lesley Warren
 ,, 27th: Graham Charles Garnett
 ,, 27th: David Norman Barnes

HOLY MATRIMONY

"Whom we bless in Thy Name"

February 25th: Peter Edmund Hugh Whalan to Lorraine Susan Black
 ,, 26th: Colin Peter Prindable to Barbara Daphne Wright
 ,, 26th: Lionel Charles White to Ivy May Binks
 March 11th: Robert John Adams to June Claire Richardson
 ,, 19th: William Andrew Forrester to Elsie Daphne Mary
 Matters

FUNERALS

"Blessed are the dead which die in the Lord; Even so, saith the Spirit,
 for they rest from their labours"

February 25th: Hilda Eileen Elstub
 March 1st: Christopher Clarence McIlvenna
 ,, 2nd: Francis Warner Jackson
 ,, 22nd: Alice Louise Street

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